



Offenham C E First School

Newsletter – 17th February 2023



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LOVE TRANSFORMATION GROWTH

'Growing deep roots. Producing good fruit'



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VISION DAY

On Thursday 9th March we are having a vision day in school where we will focus on our school vision and what it means to us. We are undertaking an art project with Mrs Ellis, to re-vamp our vision tree in the corridor. She has lots of wonderful ideas planned for us. We were wondering whether you may be able to help with resourcing our day.

If you have any of the following items or skills we'd be grateful of your help:

- **Clean 2, 4 and 6 litre milk bottles**
- **Thin chicken wire that can be used to model and cover with papier mâché**
- **Newspapers**
- **Thin plywood**
- **Help with painting chair frames**
- **Help with a simple re-upholstering of six chairs**



Please bring resources into school during the first week back and email Mrs Nicol if you can help with painting or re-upholstering.

PTA – Cake and Uniform Sale

Thank you to everyone who donated cakes for the cake sale and thank you to those who bought them.



The sale of uniform and cakes amounted to £121. Thanks also go to our wonderful PTA team who have been so busy over the past couple of weeks.

Our children enjoyed a fantastic disco last Friday and of course they organised the Golden Ticket Valentine Chocolate competition. Congratulations to all the winners of the amazing prizes!

Look out for details of the next PTA events.

- #1 Karma Hotel Salford - Leon
- #2 Spa Day - Isla
- #3 Cotswold Farm Park - Henry
- #4 Time Lock Photo Shoot - Esme's aunty
- #5 The Theatre, Chipping Norton - Jack



INDUSTRIAL ACTION

We anticipate that we will be able to open the school on **Wednesday 1st March** but lessons may not run as they usually do. I will confirm this as soon as possible when the situation of our teachers is clearer. Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

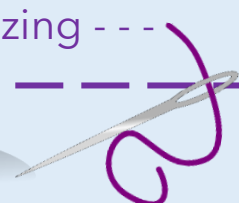
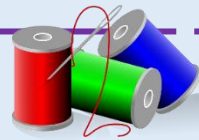
Super Sewing Skills in Severn class - - -



This week in Severn class, we have finished our fantastic stuffed toys. We have sewn unique designs on each of our toys before joining the 2 sides together using blanket stitch. To be able to stuff them, we left a small gap for the stuffing, before sewing back up when completed. We all enjoyed creating our own toy and most of us have mastered threading a needle without help and using various stitches independently.



I am sure you will agree the results are amazing - - -



DIARY DATES



HALF TERM 20th February - 24th February

- Thursday 2nd March.....Wear Pjs for World Book Day
- Thursday 9th MarchVision Day
- Tuesday 21st MarchParents' Evening Avon & Malvern via zoom
- Wednesday 22nd March..Parents' Evening Cotswold & Severn via zoom
- Thursday 23rd MarchParents' Evening All classes face to face

TERM ENDS.....Friday 31st March

Friday 7th AprilMessy Church (at school) 9-12.30pm

SUMMER TERM STARTS..... Monday 17th April

Friday 28th AprilPyjama Day (bring a bottle)

Friday 28th April Movie Night

Saturday 13th May Spring Fayre

HALF TERM..... 29th May - 2nd June



Parents' evening will take place on the following dates:



- 21st March - Avon & Malvern via zoom
- 22nd March - Cotswold & Severn via zoom
- 23rd March - All classes face to face.



We are offering zoom OR face to face options to suit your lifestyle and schedules.

Spring Fayre Poster Competition

Your child will have brought home an A4 piece of paper and instructions of what to do to design a poster for the Spring Fayre Programme cover. We look forward to seeing all the wonderful entries.

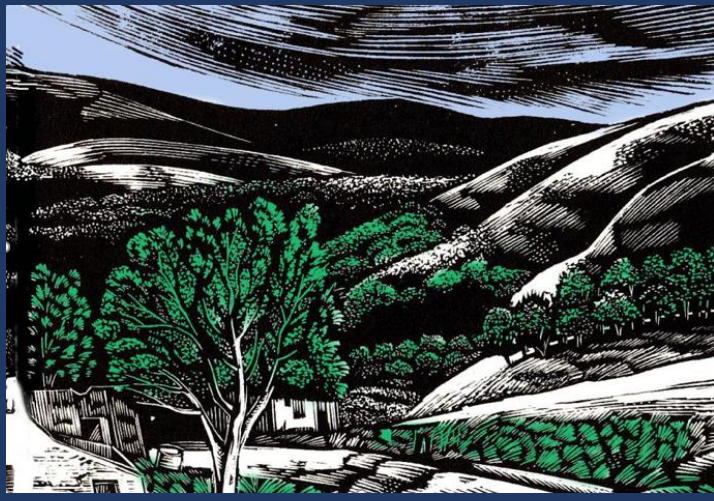


PARKING

Please may we encourage you to park more carefully around school, paying special attention to the needs of our neighbours. Make sure not to park in front of driveways and where possible park away from school and walk.

Artbox

The picture below is a type of art print called a 'woodcut'. Artists carve pictures or patterns onto a piece of wood, then cover it in ink and press it onto paper or cloth to create the print. This woodcut is from a slide show of the story we listened to in assembly on Wednesday. It was entitled 'The man who planted trees'.



Reduce, Re-use, Recycle...

A-Plan Evesham
BOOT EXCHANGE

Come into the branch, donate or pick up a pair of **second hand football boots.**

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SCHOOL MEALS

Ordering lunches for the week after half term is now closed off. If you haven't placed an order, please provide your child with a lunch box that week.

ParentPay will be reopened for meal bookings on the 27th February for ordering the week commencing 6th March. A reminder that bookings close off on Thursdays for the week following.

Music Box

This week we have been listening to 'Cotswold Folk Dances' by Philip Lane

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B0m0rCuDdDo>

The music was accompanied by a slide show of Cotswold beauty spots. We really are so blessed to live in such a gorgeous part of the world.



Thought of the Week




This week, in our assemblies, we have been thinking about how to grow a loving community. Here's a quote about the selflessness needed to make a community great.

"A society grows great when old men plant trees in whose shade they know they shall never sit."



REMINDEERS

 **RECYCLING** - We have a recycling drop-off point in our entrance area - you can bring your pens, batteries and empty crisp packets.



REMINDER - SCHOOL MEALS

School meals must be ordered on ParentPay by Thursday of the week before. **ANY ORDERS LATER THAN THAT WILL NOT BE PROCESSED.**

Messy Church

9 - 12.30, 7th April

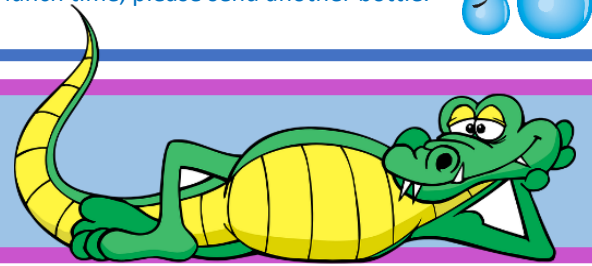


Water bottles - Children should bring a water bottle with them each day. If your child would like juice at lunch time, please send another bottle. **ONLY WATER IN CLASS.**



World Book Day - 2nd March

Pyjama Day - Wear your pjs, bring a blanket and we'll 'cosy up' with a good book or two.



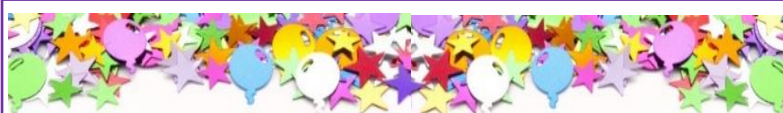
Have a wonderful half term break.

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Awards This Week:

Golden Apples awarded this week:

 **Avon - Faustas & Anjuna** 
Malvern - Josie & Mack
Cotswold - Khloe & Oliver P
Severn - Maisy, Stanley & Isaac



Birthdays

This week we celebrate the birthdays of **Logan, Harley-Jai, Amelie, Mack and Brody H.**

Father God, today we celebrate the birthdays of Logan, Harley-Jai, Amelie, Mack and Brody and we say thank you that they are part of our school family.

We pray that they may grow in wisdom and grace; give dignity and respect to others and that they may know your hope and joy every day.

Strengthen and bless them on their birthday and every day throughout the next year. Amen.

Stars of the Week

Avon - Maya

Malvern - Nellie

Cotswold - Ben

Severn - Noah A



Cheer Bear - Arthur E

Viv Bear - Eze



Sports Star - Jackson

Housepoints

Joint 1st **Sapphires** and **Rubies** with 292 housepoints

2nd **Emeralds** with 287 housepoints

Attendance

Avon -95% **Malvern -96.5%** ✓
Cotswold -94.3% **Severn -96.1%**
Overall -95.5%